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In re Patent Application of:
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For: Polarization Mode Dispersion Compensation
Method And Polarization Mode Dispersion
Compensation Device

Examiner: N. M. Curs

FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 36 of this paper.